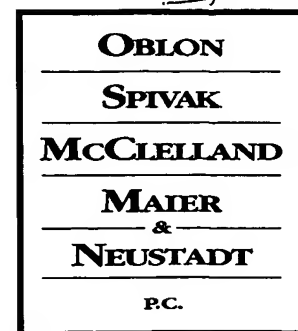




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Responsive to the Official Action dated March 25, 2005, Applicants elect, with traverse,
Group I, Claims 1-11, for further prosecution.

REMARKS

The Office has required restriction in the present application as follows:

- Group I: Claims 1-11, drawn to a method of producing a protein;
- Group II: Claims 21-23, drawn to an isolated polynucleotide encoding the protein, and a process of producing the protein comprising culturing a cell transformed with said polynucleotide;
- Group III: Claims 25-26, drawn to an isolated polynucleotide encoding the protein, and a process of producing the protein comprising culturing a cell transformed with said polynucleotide, wherein the polynucleotide (additionally) is characterized by comprising mutations in the region of the protein (encoded by said polynucleotide): amino acid residues 47-111, or a substitution mutation in residue 81 (Cys → Ala);
- Group IV: Claims 27-30, drawn to an isolated polynucleotide encoding the protein, and a process of producing the protein comprising culturing a cell